



THE PARISHES OF LEDBURY AND EASTNOR

*Worshipping God,
Following Jesus, Sharing His Love*

**Sunday 13th January 2019
BAPTISM OF CHRIST**



- 8.00am BCP Holy Communion
Led by The Revd Keith Hilton-Turvey
- 10.00am** Morning Worship
Led by Mary Anne Keyes
Preacher The Revd Keith Hilton-Turvey
- 11.15am Eastnor Parish Communion
Led by The Revd Joan Wakeling
- 6.30pm Holy Communion
Led by the Revd Keith Hilton-Turvey

Church Diary for the week ahead

Monday	14 th January	8:00pm	Ecumenical Worship, Ledbury Baptist Church
Thursday	17 th January	7-12-7	Prayers
		10.30am	Mothers' Union Corporate Communion, S ^t Katherine's Chapel
Friday	18 th January	9:00am	Prayer Meeting, S ^t Anne's Chapel
		10:30am	Holy Communion, S ^t Katherine's Chapel

Next Sunday 20th January 2019 THIRD SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY

- 8.00am BCP Holy Communion
10.00am Christian Unity Service
6.30pm Evensong

If you are new here, welcome. Please fill in one of the blue welcome cards located at the end of each pew so that you can receive information about church activities. Yellow Gift Aid envelopes are available at the end of each pew and at the back of the church. There is a Hearing Loop in this Church. Gluten free wafers are available; please ask one of the Sidespeople.

Service Times and lectionary readings can be found posted in the church porch and on the church website www.ledburyparishchurch.org.uk under the 'Services' section.

Facebook – The church has a facebook page:

[fb.me/stmichaelsledbury](https://www.facebook.com/stmichaelsledbury) – take a look, like and participate

Twitter – If you use Twitter do sign-up to S. Michael's twitter account: @LedburyParish

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Readings for 13th January 2019:

Baptism Of Christ

First Reading: **Isaiah 43: 1 – 7**

¹But now thus says the LORD,

He who created you, O Jacob, He who formed you, O Israel:

“Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine.

²When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned and the flame shall not consume you.

³For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Saviour.

I give Egypt as your ransom, Cush and Seba in exchange for you.

⁴Because you are precious in my eyes and honoured and I love you, I give men in return for you, peoples in exchange for your life.

⁵Fear not, for I am with you;

I will bring your offspring from the east and from the west I will gather you.

⁶I will say to the north, Give up and to the south, Do not withhold; bring my sons from afar and my daughters from the end of the earth,

⁷everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made.”

Second / Gospel Reading: **Luke 3: 15 – 18 & 21 – 22**

¹⁵As the people were filled with expectation and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Christ,

¹⁶John answered them all, saying, “I baptise you with water, but He who is mightier than I is coming, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. ¹⁷His winnowing fork is in His hand, to clear His threshing floor and to gather the wheat into His barn, but the chaff He will burn with unquenchable fire.”

¹⁸So with many other exhortations he preached good news to the people. ...

²¹Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heavens were opened ²²and the Holy Spirit descended on Him in bodily form, like a dove; and a voice came from heaven:

“You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”

Third Reading: **Acts 8: 14 – 17**

¹⁴Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent to them Peter and John, ¹⁵who came down and prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy Spirit, ¹⁶for He had not yet fallen on any of them, but they had only been baptised in the name of the Lord Jesus. ¹⁷Then they laid their hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit.

COLLECT

Eternal Father, who at the baptism of Jesus revealed him to be your Son anointing him with the Holy Spirit: grant to us, who are born again by water and the Spirit, that we may be faithful to our calling as your adopted children; through Jesus Christ Your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord of all time and eternity, you opened the heavens and revealed yourself as Father in the baptism of Jesus your beloved Son: by the power of your Spirit complete the heavenly work of our rebirth through the waters of the new creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

We pray for:

Our link CMS mission partners, our Leprosy Mission partners and S^t Michael and All Angels, Mtwara and S^t John the Baptist Church, Likonde.

Those who are sick:

Dean Jackson	Steve Taylor	Doreen	Mike Wakefield
Rob Harding	Jules Schad	Summerfield	

We remember those who have died and pray for those who mourn their passing:

June Ledbury	Judy Baker	Revd John Lowe	Alma Galloway
Barbara Dearden			

NOTICES

The 2019 Tower Sponsorship List is now at the back of the Church, please sign up to sponsor the illuminations. Please give put your money in an envelope with your name and week you are sponsoring the tower light and place it in the collection plate. The Tower Lights this week are sponsored by Don Rule in memory of his wife Jane and son Alistair.

Young Church – today there will be Children's Worship with Revd Tony Hodder.

LIFTS TO CHURCH. Please is there anybody that would be able to give lifts to and from church on the first Sunday of the month for 3 older people living in the Biddulph Way area. I am no longer able to undertake this. Also lifts needed from New Mills area on any Sunday. If you are able to help please contact Joyce Potter TEL: 01531 637280

Readers Rota: Richard Thursby has prepared the Readers Rota for 2019. Those who have volunteered to read a lesson should have received a copy by email or in their pigeonhole. If you cannot find it, let Richard know.

Magazine if you would like the magazine emailed to you please email Sarah in the Church office. (ledbury.ministry@talktalk.net)

Electoral Roll: This year all Church members need to complete a new electoral roll form. These forms can be found at the back of the Church. Completing a new electoral roll form enables you to vote in the APCM in April.

STAMPS FOR GOOD CAUSES: Please remember that any of the stamps on the Christmas cards people kindly send to you can be used to raise money for the LEPROSY MISSION. Please put them in the box at the back of the church. Many thanks.

Pastoral Care Support Group. The New Year can be a difficult time for anyone who is housebound or on their own for any reason. It would be greatly appreciated if you can think of anyone who may enjoy a home visit, and let Priscilla know by phone 01531 632502 or via email priska@tiscali.co.uk. Giving name and contact details. It is important that you have permission for us to personally contact those concerned!

Leadon Bank Bible Study Group has been fully attended since its inception and now has space for two more attendees due to participants 'moving on'. It is a very friendly group that meets in the Meeting Room at Leadon Bank on the **second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at 10.30 am**. If you would like to come along or know someone who would, please ring David Wood-Robinson on 632347 or David Gates on 631263.

Thank you from Canon Ryc Smith: "Your thoughts and prayers were very gratefully received and appreciated. I'm home and beginning to feel a bit more confident in the new knee but still not ready to dance on the tables!"

The music for today is J.S.Bach

10am Prelude and Fugue in Dm BWV 554 (arr. PTH)
6.30pm Prelude and > Fugue in Em BWV 555

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sunday 20 January 10am Christian Unity service with guest speaker Anna Nugent.

Monday 21 January 6:15pm Eastnor PCC

Wednesday 23 January 7:30pm Ledbury PCC

Saturday 26 January 9.15am for 9.30am Men's Breakfast at the Seven Stars Hotel in the Homend. Cost £8. The speaker is Revd Bill Mackenzie. If you are able to come please sign the sheet at the back of church so that we have some ideas of the numbers for catering. Looking forward to seeing you.

Saturday 2 February 10am in S. Anne's Chapel Housing Development meeting.

Saturday 16 February 10.30am – 1.30pm in the Chapter House. Gardeners – Do you: Order too many seeds/Always have seeds left over/Collect your own seeds/Like trying new varieties on the cheap? How about bringing your spares to a 'seed swap' and enjoying some chat and refreshments as well as picking up some bargains. Refreshments available to purchase (tea, coffee and cake or home-made soup and bread). Also produce if available. Run by the ringers in aid of the Bell project. Further information from Mary Anne Keyes 579021 or 07962323454. Please tell your friends!

Friday 1 March 2.00pm Women's World Day of Prayer (more details to follow)

Tuesday 5 March Shrove Tuesday

Wednesday 6 March Ash Wednesday

Friday 8 March at 7.30 pm in the church: **Ringing the Changes** - a colourful journey with the bells of Ledbury through 1000 years of English history. It will be an evening of music, literature, drama and history exploring this fascinating aspect of our heritage. Tickets £5.00 from Tim Keyes (01531 579021 / thkeyes28@hotmail.com) or on the door.